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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP, ERICH F. VON MARBOD

SUBJECT: PROPOSED TRAVEL

1. DOD HAS GIVEN ERICH F. VON MARBOD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DEFENSE SECURITY ASSISTANCE AGENCY, JOB OF DEVELOPING BRIEFINGS, CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS, LETTERS OF OFFER AND SUPPORTING RATIONALE FOR MIDDLE EAST AIRCRAFT PACKAGE. VON MARBOD WILL PLAY KEY DOD ROLE DURING FORTHCOMING PRESENTATIONS TO CONGRESS, AS HE DID DURING RECENT SUCCESSFUL EFFORT ON AWACS FOR IRAN.

2. IN CONNECTION WITH FIVE-DAY VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA, AND IF YOU APPROVE, WE WOULD LIKE VON MARBOD TO MAKE BRIEF STOP IN EGYPT TO GATHER FACTS AND FIGURES TO SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION'S EFFORTS. HIS PRIMARY PURPOSE

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WOULD BE VISIT TO EGYPTIAN FIGHTER AIRCRAFT BASE TO OBSERVE MAINTENANCE AND LOGISTICS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES. THIS WOULD BE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL IN RESPONDING TO CONGRESSIONAL QUESTIONS ON US CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL TO SUPPORT PROPOSED F5E/F AIRCRAFT.

3. WE ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT VON MARBOD VISIT

NOT BE CONFUSED BY EGYPTIAN WITH SECDEF'S PROPOSAL TO
SEND TECHNICAL TEAM TO EGYPT. IN PART FOR THIS REASON,

WE WOULD HOPE TO AVOID ANY PRESS COVERAGE OF THIS VISIT.

4. IF YOU AGREE, VON MARBOD WOULD ARRIVE IN CAIRO ON
OR ABOUT MARCH 1 ON HIS RETURN FROM SAUDI ARABIA. HE
HOPES TO SPEND ONE FULL DAY IN CAIRO AND WILL COORDINATE
DETAILS AND PROVIDE EXACT ITINERARY TO YOU BY SEPTTEL.
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